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Gov. O'Neil Proclaims June Rec., Parks Month



CONNECTICUT RECREATION AND PARKS ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT Richard Bartlett accepts a proclamation from Governor William O'Neil declaring June as Recreation & Parks Month in Connecticut. CR & PA President-Elect Robert Kelly passes on to the governor a T-shirt promoting June 4th as Superday '83 and the national "Life. Be in it." program. Other members of the association present include Virginia Wosczyzna (far left), chairwoman of the association's senior citizens' section; Terrance Rose, (second from right), chairman of the therapeutic section; and Rick Maynard (far right), community recreation chairman.

Southwick Hires Firm To Install School Roofs

By Andi Phelps

Southwick: The School Committee and Selectmen unanimously voted Wednesday to hire Applied Roofing Technology Inc. of Carlisle, Massachusetts, to install foam roofs on the three schools and two town buildings. The firm submitted the low bid of \$715,655 for the project.

According to Roof Committee Chairman Kenneth Neilson, Applied Roofing can bring in materials by June 20th and begin work shortly thereafter. The job is expected to be completed by September 1st with agreeable weather conditions, said Neilson.

According to the preliminary schedule, Consolidated School will be done first, then the town hall and three schools. If there is delay because of rainy weather, the town building will be postponed and the schools completed prior to school opening in the fall.

Bob Upton of Applied Roofing noted that work could be done while the buildings are occupied because there is little odor and the material is non-toxic. Schools will be occupied during the summer by some staff and by summer school classes. Town offices are occupied year-round.

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Town officials also agreed to spend an additional \$1,000 as insurance coverage against damage by birds. The town will have a complete ten-year warranty against leaks or other problems due to construction materials or work as part of its contract with Applied Roofing.

An additional \$4,500 was also approved to provide a fulltime architectural assistant at the site during construction. Officials felt that a knowledgeable person who could work closely with the architect would benefit the town.

The School Department rejected an original suggestion.
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Roncari Seeks Excavation Permit For Hudson Drive

By Andi Phelps

Southwick: Over 30 interested residents were present Thursday to hear the petition of Roncari Industries Inc., of East Granby, Conn. for a special permit to excavate, process and remove sand and gravel from a 12 acre site off Hudson Drive.

Although earth excavation is a permitted use in an industrial zone, a public hearing must be held, by law, before any permit can be issued.

The present proposal is similar to the one the company made two years ago except that information concerning the height of the aquifer at the site is now more complete, according to James Lash of Envirland Company, consultants for Roncari.

The new proposal shows that Roncari excavation would not come within 15' of the aquifer and up to 45' in many cases, according to Lash. Lash explained that the buffer between the water and ground level would be from 15' to 0' only in areas where the shallow buffer already exists. The company would merely be blending the grading of the earth, he said.

For the past two years, Roncari has had 19 test borings on the site, two of which are deep monitoring wells. According to Geologist Kenneth Cichon of Hartford, these wells show that, even as a result of the past two extremely wet spring seasons, the height of the aquifer is relatively stable, varying only 5 to 6 feet.

The more comprehensive data shows the water level to be actually lower than that was estimated in the 1980 proposal.

Lash submitted several documents backing his statements that earth excavation did not in itself harm the water source located below it.

He explained the East Granby firm would be only uncovering a 12 acre parcel, initially, out of a total of 8,544 acres that cover the aquifer in Southwick.

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Suffield EDC Plan Meeting With Land Owners

By Joe Wojtas

Suffield: The Economic Development Commission (EDC) discussed Thursday night their plan to hold a meeting for owners of industrial-zoned land near Bradley Field which may interest potential companies who wish to locate in Suffield.

The seven member commission along with First Selectman Ronald Birmingham have sent out invitations to the 25 landowners for the June 15th meeting.

The committee hopes this meeting will help them to determine the landowners' interests, to answer their questions and concerns, and to convey the EDC's willingness to work with them and the state.

The EDC will have a representative from the Connecticut Economic Development Commission present at the meeting to encourage landowners and show them that the state is willing to cooperate on the project.

The land, which the EDC is interested in, is comprised of approximately 1,400 acres near Bradley airport along South Street, Suffield Street, Austin Street, Spencer Street and east and west of Route 75.

This land, zoned for industry, is predominantly unused pasture and workable farmland.

The goal of the EDC to lure more industry to Suffield is part of a plan to lighten the tax burden on homeowners and to encourage future growth.

"We want to stress high tech and service industries, not smokestacks," said EDC Chairman George Stewart.

Birmingham said a list of possible businesses would include telecommunications, medical equipment and other "clean" industries.

He feels it will be difficult to change the attitude of many companies that Suffield is not interested in industrial development.

However, he sees the town's proximity to Bradley Field as a big edge and the \$160 million renovation of the airport as a chance for Suffield to cash in.

Commission members also stated their concern that if the plan to attract light industry is to work, landowners will have to stick to their original proposals and not change the terms every time a new company is looking for land.

The EDC also expressed concern over conditions of the roads in the area and discussed improvements which would have to be made to them if companies were to decide to locate near the airport.

The EDC also plans to meet the Zoning and Planning Commission and Conservation Commission to discuss light industry in the area and to minimize any problems a company will encounter if it decides to locate in Suffield.

If landowners are receptive to the EDC plan, then the commission will go ahead with preparing an informative brochure about Suffield's assets which will then be sent to prospective companies.

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Dog Licenses Available In Suffield

Suffield: New 1983-84 licenses for dogs went on sale in Suffield on Wednesday, June 1st. In accordance with State Law Section 22-339, new dog licenses must be purchased for any dog over the age of six months, and Suffield requires that all dogs must be licensed during the month of June.

The cost of licenses this year is \$4 for a neutered male or spayed female and \$8.20 for an unneutered male or unsplayed female. Licenses can be purchased at the Town Clerk's Office in Town Hall on Mountain Road on Monday through Friday from 8:30 to 4:30 and until 6:00 on Thursday.

If an individual who had a dog licensed last year would like to purchase a license by mail, he should send a check for the exact amount due to the Town Clerk, P.O. Box 238, Mountain Road, Suffield, CT 06078 along with a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

All requests made without the accompanying envelope will not be honored.

Any person who fails to purchase a license during the month of June will be subject to a \$28 fine over and above the cost of the license.

Again this year, the dog warden will be doing a survey for any unlicensed dogs. This survey will begin on July 1st, and any person found with an unlicensed dog will be fined \$28 and also required to purchase a license.

Anyone who needs more information may call the dog warden at 668-5551 or the town clerk at 668-7391.

Once again, Town Hall has been getting complaints about roaming dogs. In accordance with State Law Section 22-364, all dogs must be kept under the owner's control at all times. This law is being strictly enforced by the dog warden and carries a penalty of \$33 for violation.

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The reuse plan, also not provided in an earlier petition, shows complete restoration of the area, as each portion of excavation is completed, into a tree farm and game refuge.

As present plans are drawn, "This could be one of the best wild life preserves in Western Massachusetts," Lash said.

Lash also had supporting documents from East Granby officials praising Roncari's present operation in that town and information concerning noise and traffic and their relatively minor effects on the school, especially Power Mill, located on the traffic path of the trucks.

Of the residents objecting to the excavation, Elizabeth Catalano of Hudson Drive and Albert Spillane of Feeding Hills Road noted the harm that would be done to the aquifer.

Although proponents noted there were already more harmful uses located over the aquifer, they felt that the town should not compound its mistakes. Spillane urged the Planning Board to develop a comprehensive aquifer protection zone "before allowing a town of sand pits."

There are already over 60 acres involved in excavation in the three legal pits in town.

Former Planning Board member Arthur Driscoll of Pineywood Road charged that protection of the "aquifer was being used as a screen" when the actual issue these people are against is the nuisance situation caused by an industry in a neighborhood. Driscoll praised Roncari's plan, saying, "It is a good plan if it is enforced."

Opponents conceded that while the excavation process did not in itself pollute the water supply, it greatly increased the danger of pollution from other sources. By removing the filtering sand, ground water would reach the aquifer faster and would not be as cleansed.

Roncari proposes to remove 3.5 million cubic yards of materials from the 112 acre site over a 15 year period.

Disregarding the high commercial value of the material, Grace Spillane noted that the "aquifer is priceless; once poisoned, there is no way it can be reclaimed. It should be the town's number one priority."

The Planning Board noted this permit, if granted, is renewable annually. The board sets the original conditions of the permit and can amend them to suit the situation, according to Chairman Theodore Dernago.

The board has 65 days from the date of the hearing to reach a decision. If no decision is reached at that time, Roncari will automatically be granted the requested use, according to law. There is a 20-day appeal period following any board decision, according to Dernago.

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tion that a member of its maintenance staff be used to oversee the construction work. Summer is a period of extensive maintenance for schools. The department felt it could not spare one of its personnel.

The town received two other bids of \$722,500 and \$749,000. A total of \$850,000 was allotted for the project. According to Neilson, even with the additional \$5,500, there is still a contingency fund of over \$74,000 for the construction. Other expenditures involved in the project include \$33,000 for the architect; \$20,000 for bonding; and \$1,400 in miscellaneous expenses. The contingency funds will be used to cover unforeseen expenses during the construction of the roofs.

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Suffield Voters Approve \$9 Million Budget

By Cheryl Rutz

Suffield: The proposed 1983-84 town budget was passed by a majority voice vote at an hour-long town meeting last Wednesday night attended by 350 people. The \$9 million budget requires a mill rate increase of 3.7 and has expenditures 9% higher than this year.

Public opinion had been very positive at a hearing held May 4th where the Board of Finance presented the budget to 250 townspeople. The majority of residents expressed the feeling that the budget could not be cut anywhere without decreasing the quality and quantity of services to the town.

During the May 25th town meeting, Harry Magnuson of River Boulevard Extension stated, "I would like to congratulate the Finance Board on the fine budget it is presenting."

Also encouraging the passage of the budget was Connie Herndon of North Main Street, who said she feels the Suffield School System is very valuable.

After the meeting, several town officials reacted with happiness and relief at the budget's adoption. First Selectman Ron Birmingham said, "I am gratified that the budget passed without going to a referendum." He added that he feels the Board of Finance had better communication with the public this year than last year.

"People understand the tax increase," Birmingham remarked, noting that he feels the board explained the tax hike well and that people also looked at their own personal increases, which helped them understand the town's budget.

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The grand list is up only 2.4% or about \$5 million from this year, a smaller percentage growth than any of the past ten years, according to Board of Finance Chairman Dennis Kreps.

Because there is such a small increase in the town's grand list and receipts from sources other than property taxes have decreased, the mill rate must go up.

Kreps explained at the May 4th hearing that there is very little surplus available, and the reserve for capital expenditures has decreased because Suffield has used these funds. Therefore, the town has less money to invest and gain interest from.

In addition, Kreps noted that federal shared revenue funds are down. At the same time, exorbitant costs for street lights, water main rent, and employee medical benefits continue to increase, and the town is obligated to pay these bills.

The town is also required to increase salaries of unionized town employees. Police officers under a union contract will receive a 9.5% raise next year. Teachers are also allowed salary increases next year, according to their two-year contract.

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The library budget is partially restored in the 1983-84 package after receiving severe cuts during last year's budget process. Hours and staff had to be decreased this year, and book-purchasing was at a low after the budget was cut by \$20,000.

The education budget is up 9.6% from the current fiscal year. Increased employees' salaries and rate increases for employee benefits account for a large part of the budget increase.

The Board of Education has reduced school staff by 1.6 teachers and one principal to keep costs down. The boards of finance and education worked together closely during the budget process to produce what Chairman Robert Newman calls a "bare bones budget."

Mary Dixon of North Street noted after the meeting that the Board of Finance did a lot of work early in this budget process which may have helped pass the package. She added that she feels another reason the budget passed easily is because word was spread about the "good new superintendent of schools, Bernard Ellis."

In addition, Mrs. Dixon stated that she feels the public took the tax increase a little easier this year, whereas last year, they reacted to the first substantial increase in the mill rate.

Southwick Forwards Property Tax Bills

By Andi Phelps

Southwick: Fiscal 1983 real estate and personal property tax bills have been sent out and are due June 24th. The bills reflect the new 100% assessment on all local property.

According to Tax Collector Barbara Pooler, payments made on estimated bills which were sent out last November have been applied. Persons who have not received a bill or who have questions concerning their assessment should contact the collector at Town Hall.

Mrs. Pooler said that if no payment has been made 14% interest retroactive to November 1 will be charged on that amount and 14% interest retro-active to May 25, 1983, will be charged on any part unpaid by the June 24 deadline.

The state approved the town's tax rate in late April. This year's rate has been set at \$24.27 per \$1,000 property valuation. The new rate is applied equally to all property - residential, open space, or commercial - throughout town. The total property value for Southwick certified by the state is \$126,178,371.

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AT A SHOW AND TELL of Historical Memorabilia held at the Second Baptist Church on Monday, May 16th, the Suffield Historical Society displayed a cigar lighter dated December 6, 1910 donated to the Society by Mrs. George Butler of Suffield. Looking over the lighter are Roger Loomis, president of the Society; and Bob Gunshanan. Advertiser/News photo by John Loftus.

Southwick Library Holds Annual Spring Book Sale

Southwick: The Southwick Public Library held its annual spring book sale on Friday and Saturday, May 27th and 28th. Although sales were limited on Friday because of the rainy weather, there were many people gathered on the library lawn on Saturday.

Pam Morse and the Southwick Friends of the Library would like to thank the following people who helped set up and sell: Gail Redfern, Thelma Montovani, Joyce Bellemore, Sandy Heap, Lee Files, Marian Anderson, Marilyn Chualo.

The library is also grateful to Tom Fitzgerald, Jimmy and Joe Morse who helped on Saturday. The proceeds from the sale amounted to \$138.50.

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Suffield Jaycee Women Close 1982-83 Year

Suffield: At the May meeting of the Suffield Jaycee Women the year was closed by making the majority of the organization's donations. Donations were made however throughout the year.

In the fall the Jaycee Women donated \$300 to the Emergency Aid Association for the Fuel Bank. A donation was made to the RSVP (Retired Senior Volunteer Program) to be used by the Knit-A-Care program where the volunteers knit hats, mittens, scarves and lap robes for residents in nursing homes and area hospitals.

The Jaycee Women always help out at the senior citizens' dinners and also donate bingo prizes. In December the women have their hats and mittens project which has grown since it was started. The Emergency Aid Association supplies this group with an anonymous list of children in town who need warm clothing. Members go shopping and buy everything from long underwear to sweatshirts, infant overalls to warm pajamas.

This past year they made a warmer holiday season for 35 children. With the help of the Jaycees and Milton Bradley these children also received toys or games. The gifts were wrapped and delivered to the Emergency Aid Association in time for the holidays.

This year the Suffield Jaycee Women also had a project which they felt was very important to be seen and hopefully adopted in the school system, the puppet presentation on sexual child abuse called "What Should I Do?"

At the Easter egg hunt sponsored by the Jaycees the Suffield women held their annual bake sale and gave the proceeds of \$125 to Genny Cannon so she may attend the International Special Olympics in Baton Rouge, LA in July.

The first two weekends in May they sponsored a project called "Fingerprint the Children of Our Town" in which 425 children were fingerprinted with the help of the Suffield Police Department and the Sentry Security Agency.

At the May meeting they distributed \$1415 to town schools, organizations and agencies. The donations are as follows: Bridge Street School, \$140 for films, magazine subscriptions and the remainder to be used toward the purchase of room dividers; a bus to take the Suffield entrants to the Special Olympics at Fairfield University, \$250; Kent Memorial Library to expand the children's toy area, \$200; the Visiting Artists Assoc. which attend the schools and put on productions for the students, \$100; Suffield High School to help develop their computer room, \$125; the Suffield Drama Club will use their donation to help defray the costs of their up-coming production, \$100; Laurel Girls State is for two students to attend a seminar in which they participate in a mock government, \$75; also donations were made to Spaulding School, \$200; McAlister Middle School, \$150; and Suffield Ambulance Association, \$75.

The main fundraiser of the Suffield Jaycee Women is the annual Octoberfest Craftsair which is where they raise the money to make these donations. The craftsair will be held this year on September 10 and 11. Anyone wishing information may call the chairpeople, Robin Wilson, Linda Crowe and Pat Dineen.

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SUFFIELD CALENDAR OF EVENTS

(Submitted By Friends Of Kent Memorial Library)

Mon., June 6: Fire drill, 7, Central Firestation; Jaycee Women Installation of Officers, 7:30, Call 668-1136; Prayer Meeting, 8, Sacred Heart Church Hall; Knights of Columbus, 8:15, St. Joseph's Church Hall.

Tues., June 7: Women's Club board meeting, 10, library; Child & Family Services meeting and annual luncheon, noon; Free blood pressure screening clinic, 1:30, Second Cong. Church, W. Suffield; AARP board meeting, 2, Central Firestation; Suffield Rotary Club, 6, Suffield Country Club; Linda Laux' contemporary wall quilts, 6-8 p.m., Library Gallery; Boy Scout Troop 260, 7, St. Joseph's Church hall; Little League Auxiliary meeting, 7:30, First Church of Christ Cong.; Jaycees, 7:30, Suffield Inn; Conservation Comm., 7:30, Town Hall; Apollo Lodge, 7:30, Masonic Bldg.; Board of Education, 8, McAlister Middle School.

Wed., June 8: Child & Family Services Thrift Shop, 35 Mountain Rd., open Wed. - Fri. 10-3:30 & Sat., 10-1; Mapleton Literary Club luncheon, 12:30, Davio's in Westfield; Board of Selectmen, 3:30, Town Hall; Police Commission, 7:30, Town Hall; Suffield Grange 27, 8, East St. Firestation.

Thurs., June 9: Prepared Childbirth class, 7, Emergency Aid Bldg.; Suffield Council for the Arts board meeting, 7:30; Ambulance Assn. board of directors, 7:30, Town Hall; Holy Name Soc. bingo, 7:30, St. Joseph's Church hall.

Sat., June 11: "Jabberwocky," (K-6), 2 p.m., library

Sun., June 12: High School graduation, 2 p.m. Suffield Players annual meeting, 4-7, Mapleton Hall.

Wall Quilts On Display At Kent Memorial Library

Suffield: Contemporary wall quilts by Springfield artist Linda Buvarsky Laux will be on exhibit at Kent Memorial Library in Suffield for the month of June. An opening reception will be held June 7 from 6 to 8 p.m.

All the quilts are off-white and use a wide variety of techniques to carry across a bird theme. Fibers is one of the many areas Ms. Laux works and has exhibited in.

Ms. Laux is a graduate of Mass. College of Art in Boston and is presently completing her masters degree from Central Conn. State University.

Formerly of Enfield and now residing in Springfield, Ms. Laux is an elementary art teacher in Enfield.

Library hours are Tuesday through Thursdays 10 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., Fridays 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Jabberwocky To Perform At Kent Memorial Library

Suffield: JABBERWOCKY will be performing *Man in the Moon* at the Kent Memorial Library on June 11th at 2 p.m. This performance which is free to the public is being sponsored by the Connecticut Region Library Council Children's Roundtable Cultural Grant.

JABBERWOCKY is a participatory children's theatre duo that has been touring New England for the past four years. The team delights audiences of all ages through storytelling, comic vignettes, masks and lots of music and humor. JABBERWOCKY's special feel for the flamboyant is evident not only in their original stories and songs, but also in their soft sculpture props and cartoon scenery.

Preregistration is necessary as soon as possible. Tickets must be picked up before Thursday, June 9th. For more information, call the library at 668-2325.



Something To Think About

Richard L. Carmon
DIRECTOR

Expressions Of Sympathy

Many people desire to express their sympathy by sending flowers or some other memorial in addition to extending their condolences in person. Others do this because they cannot attend either the visitation or the service.

For the most part, those who wish to demonstrate their feelings should be able to do so, in the way they prefer and which is most natural for them. Flowers, for example, have a message all their own - one which is universal. They also add beauty to the casket setting and to the funeral service.

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proper for the family to suggest a certain memorial (such as a donation to a particular charity), this should not be done in such a manner as to exclude alternate expressions of sympathy. It should also be presented in such a way so as not to be construed as a tangible solicitation of sympathy. We can advise you on these and similar matters.

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Women's Club Sponsors Art Students

Southwick: The Southwick Women's Club sponsored four local students in the State Art Contest put on by the Massachusetts State Federation of Women's Clubs. The four students were:

Nicole Davilli, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Barry Davilli of South Longyard Road. Nicole is in the fifth grade in Mrs. Gralinski's class. Nicole was a first prize winner in her age group in the Youth Art Contest in 1982.

Bernard Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bernice W. Johnson of Granville Road. Bernard is in Mr. Carra's sixth grade class.

Raymond Snow, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond E. Snow of South Longyard Road. Raymond is in Mrs. Patnode's fourth grade class.

Noah Lydiard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lydiard of Foster Road. Noah is in Mrs. Patnode's fourth grade class.

Mrs. Geneva Baillieul, a school teacher at Woodland School and a noted local artist, having won a state award in the State Grange Contest, is the Art Chairman of the Southwick Women's Club. She has been a moving force behind the young students entering the art contests sponsored by state and national organizations. Southwick has been well represented in such contests with satisfying results.

Suffield Rec. Dept. Announces Cabaret Cast

Suffield: The Suffield Recreation Department announces the cast for Cabaret '83, the hit summer Broadway review. The fifth summer show will star Debbie Case, Shellie Cicero, Teresa Coggins, Sally Geary, Tim Geary, Amanda Hastings, Ric Martino, and Richard McCarty.

"We have an incredible mix of voices this year," said Linda Seabury, music director. This will be her second Cabaret venture. Dennis J. Picard, director and founder of Cabaret Theatre in Suffield, will be returning for his fourth show.

The 35 song review will open in Mapleton Hall, Suffield, on July 12th with a special preview. Regular performances are scheduled Wednesdays through Saturdays, July 13th - 16th, 20th-23rd, 27th-30th. The box offices will open at the Recreation Department on July 5th.

Widows & Widowers Club Plans Sunrise Park Picnic

Suffield: The Widows and Widowers' Group of the Second Baptist Church is having a cookout at Sunrise Park, Mountain Road, Suffield on Thursday, June 16th at 6:30 p.m. Bring hot dogs and hamburgers with rolls for yourself and a salad or dessert for six.

New members are always welcome. For more information, call 668-2741.

Chicken Barbeque Scheduled For Saturday, June 11th

Suffield: The West Suffield Congregational Church will conduct a chicken barbeque, Saturday, June 11th from 12 noon to 5:30 p.m. Cost is \$4.75 per person.

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YOUNGSTERS SPONSORED BY THE Southwick Women's Club in the Mass. State Federation of Women's Clubs art contest are, from left - Noah Lydiard, Bernie Johnson, Ray Snow, and Nicole Davilli. Advertiser/News photo by John Loftus.

Granville Fire Dept. Plans Fiddle-Contest

If you enjoy good old fashioned, foot-stomping, knee-slapping music, then get ready for Granville Fire Department's sixth annual Fiddle-Banjo contest. The two-day, open-air event is scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, June 18th and 19th at the Blandford Fairgrounds, just off route 23 in Blandford, Mass.

Not only will you have a chance to see and listen to some great fiddlers and banjo picking, but there will also be a craft fair to offer a variety of interests for spectators throughout the afternoon.

Contestants throughout New England will be competing for over \$1,500 in prize money. Saturday's fiddle competition will begin at 1 p.m. and consist of four age divisions, little juniors to seniors, who are over 60 years of age. There is also a "trick and fancy" category. Banjo players will display their skills on Sunday in four categories, including bluegrass, 4 string, old time, and little juniors.

There will be lots of good food available for those with a hearty appetite, or those just wishing to munch.

Should it rain, the event will be held undercover. There is plenty of free parking on the fairgrounds. Admission is \$3.50 per day or \$6.00 for a two-day ticket. For further information please call the Granville Fire Department at 413-357-8572.

It's a weekend in the country guaranteed to please. It's fiddlin, banjo pickin, and craft fair all in one!

PWP Conducting New Membership Drive

Parents Without Partners, Chapter 990, which encompasses the Southwick, Westfield, Suffield, and Agawam area, is conducting a June membership drive. Present members of the local single parents group will be actively seeking out prospective new members.

You are eligible for membership in P.W.P. if you are a parent and single because of death, divorce, separation, or other unmarried status. Custody of your children is not a factor of eligibility.

Some activities members enjoy are regularly scheduled family events such as movie nights, pizza parties, museum tours, teen rap sessions, etc. Adult activities include group brunches, support meetings and ethnic suppers in addition to bowling nights and frequent dances.

The local chapter for the Agawam, Southwick, Suffield area holds orientation sessions for prospective members every Thursday evening at 8:30 p.m. at the Polish American Clubhouse, 139 Southwick Street (Route 57) in Feeding Hills.

These informative, non-binding sessions are followed each week by a record hop for members only with dancing to the 50's, 60's and 70's music of "Memories in Motion."

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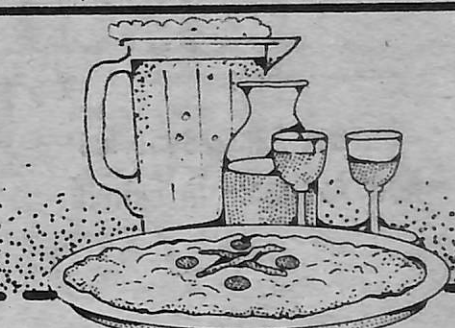
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Part II

Where Do The Tax Deductions Come From?

By Amy L. Spear - Investment Executive
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One of the key reasons many investors purchase Tax Advantaged Investments (T.A.I.'s) is to take advantage of the tax benefits. These tax benefits take two forms: a) tax deductions, also known as write-offs or losses or b) investment tax credits.

A question that comes up regularly, though, is "Why does anyone want losses?" The easy answer to this is, in most cases, the deductions or losses generated by a T.A.I. are accounting or paper losses, not economic or cash losses. As a result, you can own an investment that economically is doing well, while at the same time is generating tax deductions which you can use to shelter a portion of your income.

To understand how the tax benefits generated by a T.A.I. help you, it is necessary to understand something about the income tax system used in the United States. For tax purposes, gross income equals earned income (dividends, interest, short term capital gains) plus 40% of all net long term capital gains. The portion of gross income that is subject to taxation (i.e. taxable income) is equal to gross income minus certain deductions such as business expenses and deductions created by T.A.I.'s, etc. Therefore, taxable income equals earned income plus unearned income plus 40% long term capital gains minus deductions.

Under our current Federal Tax System, taxable income is taxed at a marginal rate. As a result, the more taxable income someone makes, the greater percentage of each dollar goes to pay federal taxes.

For instance, in 1983, each dollar of taxable income received between \$7,600 and \$11,900 is taxed at a rate of 15%. On the other hand, each dollar of taxable income received in excess of \$60,000 and up to \$85,000 is taxed at a rate of 44%; 44% of every \$1 goes to pay federal taxes. Above \$109,400, the IRS is an equal partner and gets 50% of each dollar of income.

As you can see, with careful tax planning, your 1983 tax return should not be a surprise. Your money should work as hard for you as you work for it.

The next article regarding Tax Advantaged Investments will answer the question "What Alternatives Do I Have In Tax Planning?"

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Puppet Theatre At Kent Memorial Newest Attraction

By Pat Barnes

Suffield: The new puppet theatre located in the children's room of Kent Memorial Library is the result of many generous contributions from the family and friends of Susan Marie Lathrop.

Susan, a nine-year-old third grader, was a student at Spaulding School at the time of her death in July, 1982. A brain tumor, first diagnosed when she was six, tragically took her life 3½ years later. Following her death, a total of over \$1,300 was received by the library in her memory.

Since Susan enjoyed a special interest in puppetry, the acquisition of the theatre which bears a plaque with her name was a particularly appropriate purchase by the library. With additional funds contributed in her name, the library has also purchased puppets and books on puppetry. Thornton Burgess' works were particular favorites of Susan's, and because of this, a set of his books has also been acquired.

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According to Library Director Gene Biggio, the theatre has already proven to be a special attraction to youngsters visiting the children's room. Many create their own productions using puppets housed in the theatre.

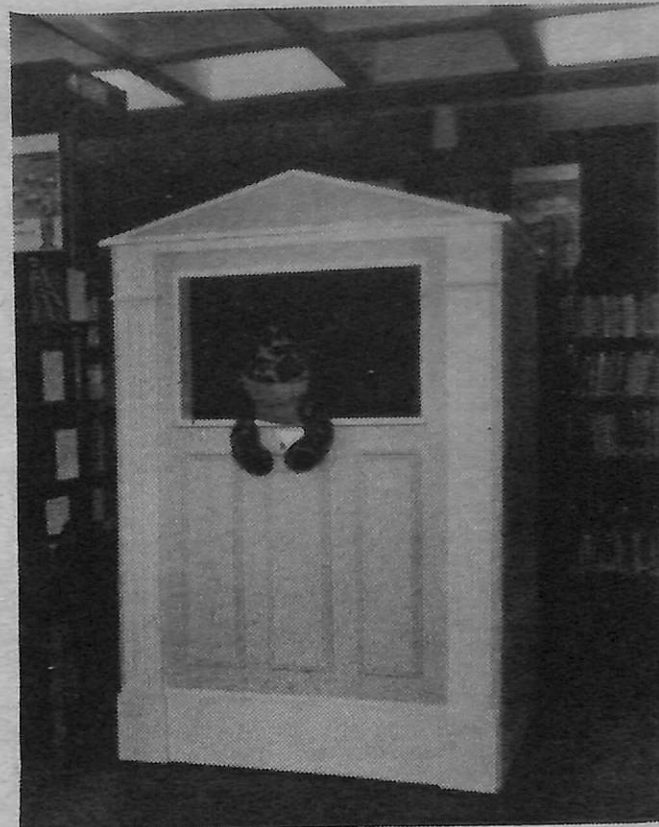
Special programs have also been scheduled to highlight the library's new acquisition. On Saturday, July 6th, from 10 to 11:30 a.m., a program called "Puppet Fun" will be open to those children who will be entering kindergarten in the fall. These youngsters will be invited to make simple puppets with Suffield residents June Hodges and Linda Rusin. The puppets will be used to present favorite children's stories.

On Saturday, July 16th, from 10 to 11:30 a.m., Sarah Elston of the Elfin Puppet Theatre and her puppets will present "Toad's Disco," a program designed to tickle not only the fancy, but the funny bones of youngsters in kindergarten through grade 6.

On the same day, from 11 to noon, Ms. Elston will conduct a workshop on making puppets and using them in the new theatre. This workshop will be open to children in grades 4 and 5.

The purchases made from donations in Susan Lathrop's name have already brought much enjoyment to area youngsters. The books as well as the puppet programs scheduled for summer and those planned for the fall promise to bring even more pleasure. The library is deeply appreciative of all those who made these new acquisitions possible.

Further information on specific programs may be obtained by calling the library at 668-2325.



THE NEW PUPPET THEATRE located in the children's room of the Kent Memorial Library. Puppetry fans should watch for upcoming special programs scheduled for July 6th and 16th. Advertiser/News photo by John Loftus.

Firesafe Ideas

By The Suffield Firemen's Assn., Inc.



Whether you or your family will be camping in the wilds or your own backyard, remember the following fire safety hints:

1. Use only tents made of flame-retardant fabrics.
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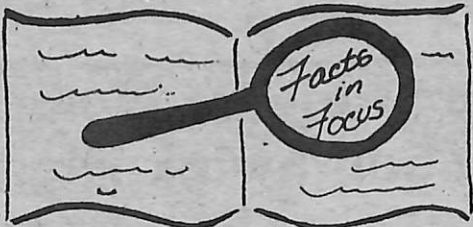
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By Mildred Talmadge

All About Senators

History records events and votes that inaugurate or alter changes in the pattern of American life, but many times the hassles which bring about these changes either go unrecorded or are lightly glided over. From our perspective, leaving the appointment of our senators to state legislatures now seems undemocratic, which is exactly the argument put forth when the change was being considered.

The Constitution reads:
"Article I Section 3

The Senate of the United States shall be composed of two senators from each state, chosen by the legislature thereof for six years; and each senator shall have one vote."

Even though the senator's term is six years, there is an even longer continuity in governmental affairs that makes him/her valuable to the people in filling the post for a longer time. It is quite possible that it takes nearly the six years to get a senator used to the harness. If, perchance, the state legislature is influenced to replace him at the end of his first term, then all the familiarizing of issues and processes has to begin again.

The fallacy of this procedure became evident as early as Andrew Jackson's time when it was proposed that the senators be elected directly by the people. In 1893 the House of Representatives managed to pass a resolution to change the Constitution by amendment, but the Senate, apparently feeling smug about their security the way it was, refused to pass it.

The proponents of the popular vote method refused to be thwarted and went directly to the states. In 1901 Oregon set up a system for voters to name their choice for United States Senator at a regular election, and the candidates for State Legislature were obligated to appoint the people's choice no matter which party he belonged to.

Thus, it happened shortly thereafter that a Republican State Legislature sent a Democratic Senator from Oregon to represent them in Washington.

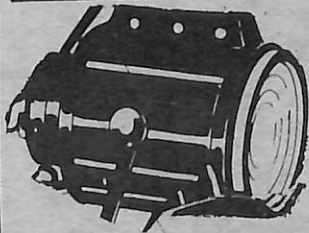
By 1910, 28 states by some similar scheme, had forced state legislatures to appoint senators of the peoples' choice. In just the subtle way the character of the Senate body changed and was now finally the peoples' senate, joined with the House of Representatives to pass the solution in 1912.

So, as the legal course of events fell into place, the new amendment was voted on by the 67th Congress and adopted by 37 states.

"Amendment 17:
The Senate of the United States shall be composed of two Senators from each state elected by the people thereof, for six years..."

This illustrated power of our democratic form of government to express the will of the people even though it had taken 50 years and a bit of conniving to bring it into being.

It was proclaimed in effect May 31, 1913...just 70 years ago.



SPOTLIGHT ON SENIORS

SOUTHWICK SENIOR CITIZENS' MENU

Mon., June 6: Pork cutlet, scalloped potatoes, green beans, rye bread, canned pears, milk

Tues., June 7: Spaghetti & meatballs, cucumber & celery salad, garlic bread, carrot cake, milk

Wed., June 8: Chicken 'n gravy, whipped potato, sliced carrots, cranberry sauce, wheat bread, mixed fruit, milk

Thurs., June 9: Breaded scrod, boiled parsnip potato, cole slaw, rye bread, pineapple chunks, milk

Fri., June 10: Roast of veal, whipped potato, green beans, wheat bread, lime jello, milk

The Senior Citizens Club of Southwick held its annual meeting on May 9th and installed the following new officers: Ted Morini, president; Harvey Clark, vice-president; Dorothy Flagg, finance secretary; Madeline Hefferman, treasurer; Nellie Peterson, sergeant-at-

arms; Roy Johnson, director for 3 years; Marian Anderson, installing officer; Roland Weston, installing chaplain; Carla King, installing marshal; Irene Sponberg, installing pianist.

President Morini appointed the following committee chairmen: Nellie Peterson to the Building Fund and to Membership and Carla King to Sunshine.

The next regular meeting will be on Monday, June 13th, at 1:15 p.m. at the Senior Center on Point Grove Road.

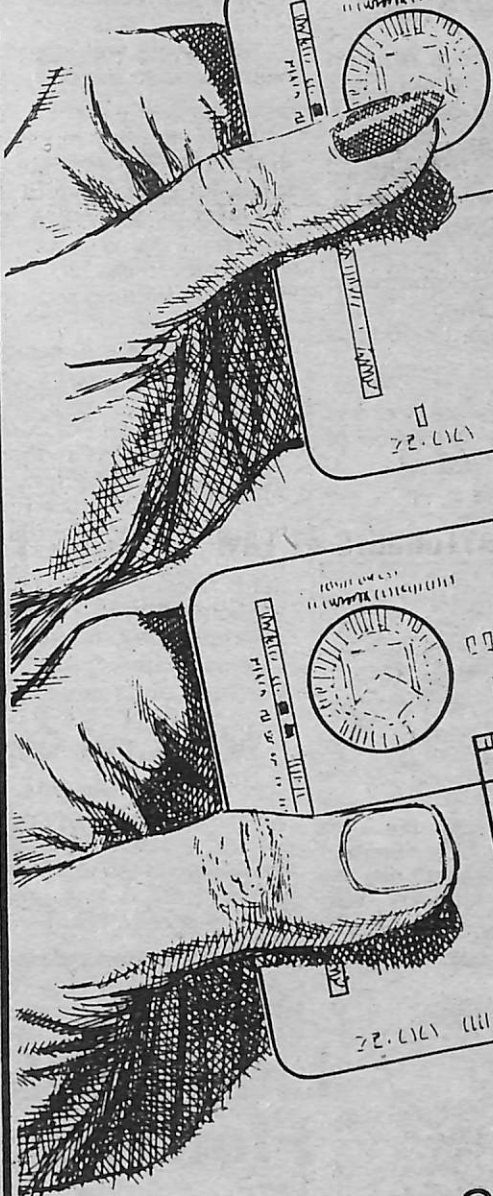
SUFFIELD SENIOR ACTIVITIES

There will be a blood pressure screening held on Thursday, June 9th at 9:30 a.m. for Maple Court residents and 10:30 a.m. for Laurel Court residents.

Take a walk with us Wednesday, June 8th at 1:00 p.m. Join us for a fun and interesting walk. Refreshments will be served.

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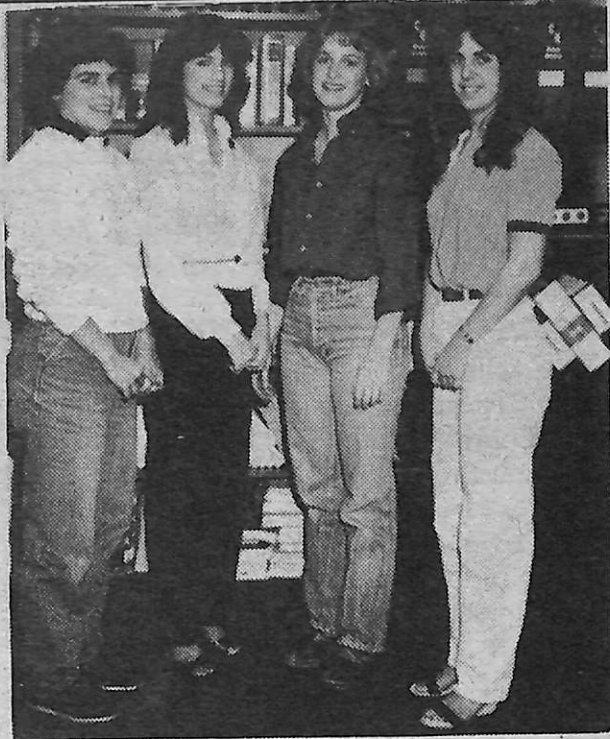
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SCHOOL NEWS



CHOSEN TO ATTEND GIRLS' STATE from Southwick High on June 11-18 are, from left - Cassandra Deedy, Alena Antonucci (alternate), Beth Goslee, and Debra DeRay (alternate). Advertiser/News photo by John Loftus.

Southwick High Students Participate In Type-A-Thon

Business students at Southwick High School raised big \$\$\$ for leukemia research this month by participating in a type-a-thon.

Southwick's typists raised \$359.36 in pledges based on a specified amount of money per word typed in five minutes. Students in classes of Mrs. Constance Charest, Mrs. Noreen Connor, and Miss Ann Murphy participated.

Senior Lori Hoschouer raised the largest amount of money - \$59.20. Next highest with \$45 in pledges was senior Lisa Weston.

"We really appreciate the support we received from the community in pledges, which helped to make our type-a-thon so successful," said Mrs. Charest, who acted as chairperson for the drive.

Two Southwick Pupils To Attend Girls' State

By Marsha Ramah

Southwick: On June 11-18, two students from Southwick High will attend Girls' State at Bridgewater State College. Chosen this year were Cassandra Deedy and Beth Goslee, with Alena Antonucci and Debby DeRay selected as alternates. Sponsoring the girls is the Womens' Auxiliary of the Southwick American Legion.

Girls are chosen for their character, leadership, academic achievement, and service. A list of names is submitted by the school to the auxiliary committee. These women have the difficult task of narrowing down the field to only two. Decisions for the finalists are based on the qualities listed and on the girls whom the committee feels would best benefit from the experience. In the past limited funds have allowed only one girl to attend, but this year enough money was raised to send two.

Girls' State offers a chance for students to participate in government and its procedures. Headlining the week are many speakers such as public officials and professors. Campaigns and elections are also a part of the activities. Girls are exposed to the inner workings of government.

The Legion's Womens' Auxiliary works hard throughout the year to raise these necessary funds. The poppy program, card party night, and raffles are just some of the ways in which the money is raised. According to Mrs. William Alamed, an active member of the auxiliary, this is a good chance for girls to see what government is all about. "The girls who attend come back and share their experiences with us and we enjoy sending them," stated Mrs. Alamed.

The idea of the Girls' State program is to expose students to first-hand experience in the political field, and those chosen are fortunate to be part of such a program.

Mark Anderson Receives ROTC Award From WNEC

Mark W. Anderson of Granville, a senior at Western New England College, Springfield, Massachusetts, was the recipient of the Army ROTC Award at a recent Honors Convocation.

Anderson displayed high standards in academic achievement, leadership, moral character, integrity, and responsibility. He will be earning a commission as an Army second lieutenant through on-campus ROTC.

A government major, he is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Anderson of South Lane No. 1.



Dartmouth was the only college in New England to remain open during the entire Revolutionary War.

Top Students Named At Southwick High

Southwick High School Principal Alexander Prew has announced the top honor students in the Class of 1983.

Robert Alberti, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Alberti of 180 Vining Hill Road, was named valedictorian; Kimberly Jones, daughter of Shelley Jones of 11 Laro Road and Edward Jones of Hartford, was designated salutatorian; and third honors went to Alison Hiers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Warner Hiers of Pine Lake Road, Granville.

Alberti, who is class president and a member of the National Honor Society, has been an honor student throughout his four years in high school. He has been a member of the Student Council for four years and currently serves as council parliamentarian.

During his junior year, he attended Boys State and participated in regional and state science fairs, winning second-place awards at both. This year, he participated in Model Congress at American International College.

Alberti's co-curricular interest has involved dramatics. He has been a member of the Drama Club for two years and participated in the Contest of Plays for three years. He has also been a member of the Hartford County 4-H for twelve years, four of which have been spent as a director.

Alberti will attend Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, New York, in the fall with plans to study mechanical engineering.

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Miss Jones has maintained honor status throughout high school. Elected to the National Honor Society as a junior and currently serving as secretary of that society, she has expressed particular academic interest in mathematics. She has also been a member of the Spanish, Math, Hostess, and Ski Clubs.

Her principal co-curricular interest has been in girls' sports, and she has played varsity field hockey and softball. She served as manager of the girls' varsity basketball team and played junior varsity basketball. This year, she is sports editor of the yearbook.

Miss Jones will attend Norwich University in the fall with plans to major in mathematics.

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Miss Hiers, a National Merit Scholarship Finalist, has tallied an enviable high school record. She was a Model Congress delegate two years, a Girls' State representative her junior year, and a class officer during her first two years in high school. She has also been a member of the Student Council for four years, serving as corresponding secretary previously and currently as vice-president.

She has been a member of Concert Band and Stage Band for four years and plays oboe, clarinet, and baritone sax as well as the piano. She was elected to the National Honor Society in her junior year.

Miss Hiers has managed to incorporate active participation in girls' sports into her busy academic and co-curricular life. She has played field hockey, basketball, and softball for four years, earning her varsity letters in all three sports. She served as co-captain of the field hockey team last fall and was voted Most Valuable Player. In addition, she was selected to the prestigious All Western Mass. team.

Miss Hiers will attend the University of Massachusetts this fall to study political science.

Ms. Crul Graduates UConn

Nancy Crul, daughter of Col. and Mrs. Tilferd Crul of Vicksburg, Mississippi, has recently completed studies for her master's degree in hospital management and graduated from the University of Connecticut.

Ms. Crul is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Jones of Suffield.

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Suffield Academy Holds Commencement

Area students were honored Sunday, May 29th, at the 150th anniversary commencement exercises held at Suffield Academy.

Outstanding among area students who graduated was Stephen F. Clark of Suffield who received the Headmaster's Book Prize and shared the C.W. Austin Language Prize for excellence in Spanish with John Boozang, also of Suffield.

Robert A. Dahms III of Suffield received the 1947 Extra-Class Award for the greatest contribution in non-athletic activities.

Judith A. Killam and Michael S. Sabellico, both of Suffield, shared the George A. Butler Cup for Athletics and Sportsmanship.

Michael D. Mackey of Suffield was awarded the Jeanice Seaverns Art Prize.

Inducted into the Suffield Academy Chapter of the National Cum Laude Society was E. Eric Cordis of Suffield.

Also receiving his diploma in Sunday's ceremony was Lucas Messia of Suffield.

Suffield Academy Names Students To Honor Roll

Six area students were named to high honors and 33 to honors for the winter term at Suffield Academy, as announced recently by Headmaster Kenneth Lindfors.

Named to high honors from Suffield were E. Eric Cordis, a senior, and Daniel P. Sokol, a junior.

Suffield seniors named to honors were John F. Boozang and Stephen F. Clark.

Local juniors named to honors were Mark S. Baranski, David J. DeLaney, Stephen M. Sabellico, and Susan E. Stanley.

Local sophomores include Joshua D. Cushman, Alexander P. Glover, Julie Sullivan, and Sylvie L. Waskiewicz.

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Among local winners of annual athletic honors at Suffield Academy were John F. Boozang, who was named Most Valuable Baseball Player and captain-elect for 1984.

Judith Killam received the Outstanding Contribution to Girls' Soccer Trophy.

Michael Sabellico earned the Edward Tryon Outstanding Football Player Bowl.

Christine L. Pattillo of West Suffield was presented the Outstanding Swimmer Trophy.

SUFFIELD SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS

Mon., June 6: Shells with meat sauce, Italian bread, mixed vegetables, fruit cup, milk

Tues., June 7: Frankfurt in roll, cheese potatoes, carrot rounds, cream pudding, milk

Wed., June 8: High School: fruit punch, meatball grinder, green beans, fudge bars. Others: roast turkey with gravy, mashed potato, peas, cranberry sauce, ice cream, milk

Thurs., June 9: High School: Cook's choice. Others: French bread pizza, buttered noodles, tossed salad, pineapple with watermelon, milk

Fri., June 10: Lemonade, chicken salad roll, french fries, chocolate cake or fruit. High School: Snacks only

Mon., June 13: McAlister & Elementary: toasted cheese sandwich, vegetable sticks with peanut butter, raisins, oreo pudding, milk

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POSING WITH THEIR PRIZES ARE WINNERS of the BOSS-sponsored bike-a-thon held in April. From left - Judy Burke, BOSS treasurer; Kenny Hepburn and Joey Typrowicz of Woodland School; Mary LaPan, BOSS vice-president; Karl Baker and Thomas Carr III, Powder Mill School winners. Advertiser/News photo by John Loftus.

BOSS Bike-A Thon Raises Over \$600 For Southwick Schools

Southwick: In a recent bike-a-thon, the BOSS organization (Boost Our Southwick Schools) raised over \$600 to be used by Southwick's schools. About 20 participants rode bikes for three hours over a distance of over 25 miles.

This is the first event of its type that BOSS has sponsored. With the response the way it was, it is hoped that others will follow. Mrs. Evelyn Egerton, a member of BOSS and a Granville resident, was responsible for organizing the fundraiser.

The route was mapped out on roads close to the schools and pit stops provided snacks and

refreshments for the bikers. Information was sent home and funds were collected through the schools. Each biker contracted a number of sponsors to donate a specified amount of money for each mile biked.

According to Judy Burke, BOSS treasurer, the response was good and many people pitched in to help with baked goods and drinks.

BOSS has been successful in many of their fundraisers because they are child-oriented and enjoyable. Students involved get a sense of accomplishment for doing something they like while raising funds to keep their school programs alive.

SOUTHWICK SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS

Powder Mill School

Mon., June 6: Hamburger on roll, sliced cheese, french fries, applecrisp w/topping, milk

Tues., June 7: Chilled juice, hot ham & cheese on seeded roll, vegetable sticks, corn chips or potato sticks, strawberry whip w/topping, milk

Wed., June 8: American chop suey, tossed garden salad, bread & butter or peanut butter, ice cream

Thurs., June 9: Oven fried fish, potato rounds, vegetable, bread & butter or peanut butter, cake, milk

Fri., June 10: Pepperoni-cheese pizza, Popeye salad, chilled fruit, milk

Woodland School

Monday: Hamburger on roll, french fries, orange wedges, milk

Tuesday: Chilled juice, bologna & cheese sandwich, vegetable sticks, corn chips, cake, milk

Wednesday: Cookout on the lawn: grilled frankfurter on roll, potato chips, vegetable sticks, baked beans, watermelon, milk

Thursday: American chop suey, vegetable, 1/2 peanut butter sandwich, fruited jello, milk

Friday: Pepperoni-cheese pizza, Popeye salad, fruit, milk

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THE RETIRING CHORAL DIRECTOR BARBARA TANGUAY accepts a lovely bouquet from her students at the May 12th music festival at Suffield High School. Her husband, Ray, the system's band director of 30 years, was honored the following week at the school's annual spring concert and reception held in his honor. The couple is retiring after 50 combined years of dedicated service to the Suffield School System.



By Stu Fuller
Guidance Chairman
Suffield High School

Things are winding down quickly at the high school with just a few days to go. Hopefully, students are spending all their free time preparing for final exams - notice we say hopefully!

Summer school information for those who may need it is now available in the guidance office. The guidance staff will also be available at various times throughout the summer, mostly on Tuesdays, to meet with students and/or folks regarding summer school, schedules, career or college planning, etc. The dates at least one counselor will be available are June 15, 16, 21, 28; July 5, 12, 19, 26; August 2, 9, 16, 24, 26, 29, 30. Please call and schedule an appointment ahead of time. Our secretary is available most times throughout the summer to schedule appointments.

Seniors who have not decided what they will be doing in September might be interested in pursuing a tuition-free electronics or machine tool program which is part of the Cheney Voc-Tech High School program at Asnuntuck. Anyone interested is urged to call or see his counselor as soon as possible and pick up an application.

French Teacher Boosts Exchange

By Lisa Pawelcik

Suffield: "Witnessing the warmth and understanding which develops between French and American families makes the entire program worthwhile," says Robert Connelly of the Nacel Cultural Exchange Program. Connelly, a Suffield High School teacher of French, has been assisting Suffield students to benefit from the exchange program for the past five years.

Nacel Cultural Exchange is a non-profit organization which was founded 23 years ago by language teachers from New York. The goal of the program is to build a better international understanding by exposing students to different cultures.

In the Nacel program, American students have the opportunity to spend

a four-week summer vacation with a French host family. French students, in turn, are hosted here in the United States.

Laurie Martin is one Suffield resident who had the opportunity to spend last summer with the Dumolard family in Cannes, France. During her stay, Laurie visited Nice and the late Princess Grace's castle; however, the highlights of her memories center on day-to-day family activities in which she took part.

Laurie feels the experience was extremely beneficial in influencing her to go back to her French studies. She says, "Being unable to converse in French is a large communication barrier that I don't want to stand in my way during future travels."

Mary Beth Prew is

another Suffield student who found the experience invaluable. She feels she benefitted from the "maturation process which occurs when learning to become more understanding of other cultures."

Mary Beth was also impressed with the organization of the French school system and its facilities. According to her, French students possess much discipline in their study habits.

While each American student is impressed with different aspects of French culture, they do agree on one point: the experience of living another culture is an invaluable educational tool. Strong bonds develop during the four-week stays, and these relationships help students from both countries need to mature as individuals.

As summer approaches, the search for host families has begun for the month of July. If any families are interested in becoming involved in this worthwhile program, they are urged to contact the area coordinator, Suzi Smith, at Box 221, Canton, CT 06019 or call her at (203) 693-8549.

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Suffield Girls Take NCCC Track Crown

By Amanda Hastings

Suffield girls track team put another resounding victory recently in the NCCC Conference meet. Suffield, already the NCCC champs with an undefeated season, is jubilant over their hard-fought defeat of some of the toughest teams in the league.

Coach Diane Nappier felt that "Stafford would give us more trouble than they did, but, because of our performance, it ceased to be a problem."

Suffield's 4x100 team, consisting of Latonia Lindsay, Cathy Kriss, Missy Wentworth and Kathy Leahan won that event with a 53.3, followed by teams from Stafford, Granby and East Windsor.

Nappier says, "The 4x100 was a key victory in this meet; we lost twice during the season."

Suffield's field events have been strong throughout the season and things didn't change in the conference meet, as Wentworth and Ann Golec placed first and third in shot, with respective marks of 30'11" and 27'7". Kim Washburn took the javelin with a 96'6" as Class S champ, Lynda Goodwin took the high jump with a 5'4". Goodwin also hurled the discus for a 90'6" to take first place, followed by Charlene Hawley, getting a 90'4".

"We were high in our field events all year," says Nappier, "but in the conference meet our running became strong also. The 400 was the biggest upset of the meet. Kathy Leahan broke the NCCC record and the high school record. That was the turning point of the whole meet."

Leahan also took the 200, while the Stafford runners edged out Kriss in both the 100 and 300 hurdles.

Since 1979, Suffield has won the conference 3 times out of 5, won the championship meet twice and lost once. Nappier says that upperclassmen like Leahan, Wentworth, Goodwin, Kriss, Chelen Edwards, Golec and Washburn have been key factors throughout the season because of their skills and leadership.

Suffield will go to State competitions on June 6 and, says Nappier, "We hope to throw our best, run our best, and have a little luck."

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JEFF OSOWIECKI placed sixth in the discus event at the NCCC Tournament with a throw of 36.49 meters. He also placed third in the shot put. Advertiser/News photo by John Loftus.

Wildcat Linksters Annex NCCC Title

By Mary Beth Prew

Suffield: The Suffield golf team has won its third consecutive NCCC title, as the Wildcats end the season with an impressive undefeated 6-0 record.

At the NCCC meet, held at Cedar Knob in Somers, Russ Fricke shot 2 under par for a 70.

Jeff Brackett won a prize for being nearest to the pin. Furthermore, Russ Fricke won the longest drive prize. Suffield was swamped with honors on this day.

The Wildcats' regular season finished 18-2. This record was achieved by such devoted players as Russell Fricke, Jeff Brackett, Kurt Knoefel and Ted Lyon. These four men were recognized by the league as outstanding players, also. Therefore, these golfers were elected to the NCCC All-Star team.

Coach Jim Gregor is excited, along with his players, about the season and believes that Russ Fricke is a strong candidate for All-State with a 75.3 season average.

Meanwhile the coach is awaiting seeding for the State Division II championship match on June 6th.

Track & Field Squad Place 5th At NCCC; 8-6 Overall

By Mary Beth Prew

Suffield: Suffield's final standings after the NCCC meet leave the Wildcats in fourth place with an 8-6 season.

At the NCCC meet, Bret Lynch received a gold medal for his first-rate 9:07.8 run second run in the 3000.

Out on the field is where the rest of the Wildcat teams won their medals. Larry Lopez made a 12.34 leap in the triple jump for the silver jewelry. He also finished seventh in the long jump, with a 587 extension.

In the shot put event, Art Cockett grasped a second at 13:58 meters. Jeff Osowiecki followed Cockett in the starting circle and placed third at 13.04 meters. Jeff Osowiecki also hurled a discus to a sixth place at 36.49, while Nigro's discus soared 114.4.

Meanwhile, brother Jay Osowiecki held a 17th in the long jump at 480, while Keith Wild glided 392 to 19th place.

Claude Dion was honored the victor of the pole vault at 351.

Kenny Mather stretched 305 in his fourth place vault, while Byron Bailey extended 290 for a seventh. Bailey also found a 13th in the javelin by getting the pole in the ground 3668 inches away.

Billy McQuillan hit 28.49 with the javelin and placed 17th to the victorious Staffordians.

Back at the discus throw, Bob Evans threw a 3293, for tenth, while Art Roy shoved a 2142 into 15th place.

The triple jump left William Fothergill at number 14, with a 1050 leap, and Adam Roy sailed 1006 to fifteenth place.

The high jump was attacked by Brian Mandirola, who finished 7th at 152 meters and Matt Bromson, who held 10th place at 152 also, but with more attempts.

The Wildcats ended 5th in the meet, but retain their 4th place standing for the season.

Coach Sinicrope now waits for States.

Suffield Baseball Ends 1983 Season

By Amanda Hastings

Suffield: Suffield's baseball team ended its season on May 24 and 25 in consecutive games against East Granby and Somers.

The Wildcats defeated East Granby in a soggy, rain-delayed contest which was up in the air until the last inning. The score was 7-4 Suffield going into the last inning when Bob Sebastianelli singled to lead off. Charlie Hall doubled, putting runners on second and third and brother Trevor Hall singled, bringing in both runners, making it 7-6. However, the inning ended soon after and Suffield hoisted their record to 5-11. Suffield pitcher Jim Danise faced 29 batters, walked 2, struck out 7 and gave up 7 hits (1 double). East Granby had Charlie Hall on the mound who gave up 3 walks, 9 hits and struck out 5. Rick Lindau was the big man at the plate for Suffield, with a single which brought in 2 runs and a double which allowed him to score in the 6th.

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Rams Softball Nine Barely Miss Tourney; Go Out With Class

By Bob Hrycay

The Southwick High softball team barely missed out on a tournament berth last week. But say this about them - they went out with class.

"Sure, we're not going to the tourney, but we still want to win our last game anyway," said senior first baseman Alison Hiers. Hiers' team responded with a 7-5 victory over Holyoke Catholic at Holyoke Community Field on Thursday.

Coupled with a forfeit victory over St. Mary's, the Rams finished with a 13-6 record for a 68 percent winning percentage, just two percentage points below the 70 mark needed to qualify.

Robin Schools, one of six Rams starters making their final bow for the green and yellow, held the Gaels to just three hits while striking out six with a whizzing fastball.

After giving up a pair of unearned runs in the third to fall behind at 2-1, the Rams reached Gael pitcher Louise Tetreault for four runs on three hits in a fifth-inning outburst.

The speedy Rams stirred the sands when Lapan slid home safely on Karen Friss' infield grounder to tie the score.

With two down and the count at three and two, second sacker Kim Hepburn crashed a single to plate Wendy Chase with the go-ahead run.

Maryann Marceno, who crashed four singles, drove in her second run of the day by beating out an infield nubber. Hiers upped the lead to 5-2 with a line drive single.

The winners added two insurance tallies in the seventh. Bev Slate smashed a leadoff double and went to third on another infield single by Marceno, who seconds later stole her fourth base of the game. They scooted home when Hiers' grounder was thrown away.

The Gaels came back with two runs in their final at-bat, but Schools nailed down the victory by getting Lynch on a harmless grounder.

Afterwards, Ram coach Mike Camerota had plenty of praise for his club's pride, saying, "They went into the game knowing they had no chance of going to the tourney. But practically everyone showed up for practice on Wednesday and I was kind of glad to see it. They wanted to win to have a good record."

He also talked about several of the close losses that kept the Rams out of post-season play, among them, a 19-13 loss to Hampshire and close 19-18 and 6-4 decisions to Easthampton. The locals never quite recovered from their 1-3 start, though they came on strong in the stretch to cap 12 of their last 15 outings.

Of his remaining starters, Camerota said, "Duval (Renee) is going to do nothing but improve. She's got everything. Bev Slate is coming back in center and that's a plus." The coach is looking for big things as well from outfielder Lisa Thompson and infielder Michelle Drummond.

And if Ram fans are wondering where some of their graduates are heading, here's a partial list. Karen Friss intends to become a stewardess; Schools will attend Lowell University; Hiers is heading to UMass; Cindy Lapan is going to Becker Junior College in Worcester; and Kim Jones will enter Norwich University.

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Against Somers on May 25, the contest was not as close as the Spartans defeated Suffield for the second time this season, 6-2.

Mike Accorsi slapped a single and a double for the winners, while Ray Burgess singled twice and nailed a triple in the sixth.

Pete Winiarski was the starting hurler for Suffield. He gave up 3 walks and 9 hits after facing 20 batters. Winiarski was relieved by Tim Cannon in the sixth, who faced 7 batters and gave up 2 hits.

Suffield's final overall record stands at 6-12, which is a vast improvement on last year's 1-17 record.

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Dedication, Hardwork Highlights Rams JV's

By Bob Hrycay

There was a sports story going on in Southwick this spring that's refreshing to tell. It isn't about winning and losing, but about caring.

It's about an industrial arts teacher who was given the task of working with a bunch of green youngsters and who made the best of the situation.

The Southwick High girls junior varsity softball team, under the direction of Coach Don Ziemba won just four of 18 games. That was rather expected. Many of the girls had never picked up a glove or a bat before trying out for the club.

By the season's end last week, all of Ziemba's crew had improved fundamentally. Moreover, they were dedicated.

"They played the game with grace," says Ziemba, a low-key type of guy who disdains the "rah-rah", "stomp in their face" brand of coaching.

He added proudly, "There was a point in the season when we lost seven or eight in a row but all the girls would be at practice the next day even in bad weather. You would think they would quit but they kept coming back."

The real important statistics that didn't show-up in the box scores but characterizes the spirit of the JV's is

this: 17 girls started the season with the club and all 17 finished up the season.

With so many inexperienced players on the club, Ziemba decided to use what amounted to be a double squad, each girl playing half the ballgame so that everyone got plenty of valuable experience.

Frosh Lauri Desroches was the mainstay on the mound. The catchers were junior Julie LeClair and sophomore Lisa Pepper. At first base were junior Samantha Brzoska and sophomore Michelle Cook. Sharing second were frosh Michelle Phelps and Jennifer Nadeau.

Taking up a shortstop were sophmores Debbie St. Denis and Kelley Laughlin. Securing the hot corner were frosh Lisa Bruno and junior Theresa Warren.

Playing in the outfield were sophomore Colleen Laptew and frosh Darci Rock in left, sophomore Susan Keeler and frosh Chris Driscoll in center, and sophmores Darlene Frappier and Darlene Pizzi in right.

With the varsity losing most of its cast to graduation, many of these girls will be moving up next season

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Three-Game Skein Puts Rams In Tourney

By Bob Hrycay

On the heels of a three-game winning streak, the 13-5 Southwick High baseball team entered the Division II tournament with a road match against Ware High on Saturday, June 4th (presstime).

The eighth seeded Rams have a history of success against the ninth-seeded Division E runnerups. Senior John Coward will hurl for the locals. Coach Jim Vincent hopes that the squad's hitting and fielding will come through under the tournament pressure.

The winner will travel to Westhampton on Tuesday, June 27th to take on top seeded Hampshire Regional who have twice defeated the Rams this season after no-hit and one-hit gems by ace Mat Riel.

Vincent's club will be relying on their good pitching that brought them to the tourney. They got it when they needed it last week in wins over Westfield Voke and Belchertown.

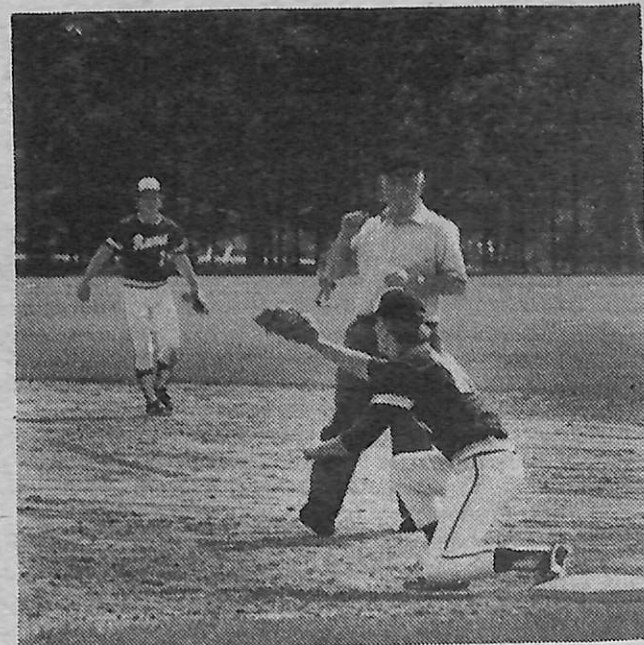
Last Wednesday the Rams and Darryl Leveille (5-2) overcame an early 1-0 Voke lead to win, 4-2.

Jim Bruno's RBI single and a Coward sacrifice fly keyed a two-run second inning rally. Voke tied it with an unearned run in the top of the fourth, but the Rams took the lead back for good in their half when Leveille cracked a double and scored on a Todd Typroicz single.

The winners added an insurance run in the fifth when Kurt Geryk walked, stole second, reached third on a passed ball, and scored on Dan Cook's two-out single.

After some opening jitters, Leveille finished with his second straight three-hitter. He fanned six and walked two. The Rams reached Voke hurler Dan Lynch for six hits.

On Tuesday, the Rams got another strong performance from Coward, who also hurled a three-hitter and whiffed six in a 4-1 victory at Belchertown.



SOUTHWICK FIRST BASEMAN MARK GIBSON MAKES a put-out in Wednesday's game against Westfield Vocational. The Rams played their first tournament game on Saturday, June 4th (presstime). Advertiser/News photo by John Loftus.

The Rams got all the offense they needed in a two-run second when Coward walked, went to second on a passed ball, and came across on Mike Molta's double. After Chris VanCamp reached on an error, Typroicz plated Molta with a base hit.

Solid base-running is the trademark of "Jimmy Ball," and the Rams put on a fine exhibition in a two-run fifth.

Eric Jackson got the rally started with a single and a stolen base. On Bruno's basehit, he slid safely across, while Bruno hustled to third. Tom McLaughlin's sacrifice fly sent Bruno flying home for the final run.

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to play for Mike Camerota. For Ziemba, who filled-in for Sheila Bewsee who couldn't coach the JV's this spring because of other commitments, this job was strictly a one-shot deal.

"I learned from it and enjoyed it. As a group they were good to coach," he said. "Without this job, I wouldn't have gotten to know these girls for I'm sure most of them don't even know we have a woodshop at the high school."

Last, but not least, Ziemba wished to extend his thanks to scorekeeper Jodie York for her diligent work all season.

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Anderson, Deedy, Pace Rams At WMass

By Bob Hrycay

Seniors Evan Anderson and Carol Deedy were the pacesetters for Southwick High's tracksters at the Western Mass. Championships last week at Springfield College.

Both set personal and school records in their respective events, the mile and two-mile.

Anderson grabbed a the lead approaching the final turn of lap number two (ironically his quarter-mile) and sped to a 30-yard win in 4:21, beating out his previous mark of 4:21.6 he set the week before on the same track.

His time was by far the best of any miler that day. Runnerup Charlie Hooten of Mt. Greylock came in at 4: 7.

"I'm pleased with the win. The record (4:16) was secondary. I have no excuses but I'm D.O.A (dead on arrival). I'm just glad it's over," Anderson remarked.

"He ran a pretty good race," Coach Dick Atkinson said with a big grin. After chiding his ace for running a slow second quarter (68 seconds), he added, "I was hoping he'd get under 4:20, but he should do it at Boston College."

Atkinson was referring to this weekend's All-State Meet where Anderson will be the lone Southwick representative.

While Anderson had only a slight breeze to contend with, Deedy had to plow through the slop at Springfield College on Memorial Day. She came on strong on the final lap to finish fourth in the two-mile in 12:02.5, easily eclipsing the 12:10.2 she set less than a week before at the league tournament.

"She ran a very smart race," said Coach Dana White. "She kept plugging away and her experience paid off."

Deedy's run picked up four of the Rams five total points on the day. The locals finished 17th in Division II. Frosh Sue Dold placed sixth in the 440 (64.4) as the Rams other point-getter.

Over in the Division III boys competition, the locals mustered 22 points to finish eighth.

Senior Ken More took home a bronze medal in the discus (126.2 feet), while sophomore Andy Kilgore rushed across in fifth place in the 330 low hurdles (44.4). The mile relay team of Ron Ward, Kilgore, Brett Mattossian and Anderson took their heat by some 25 yards, which was good for fourth overall.

So ended a pretty thin year for Atkinson's crew which got out of the block quick but were inconsistent as the spring progressed. For the girls who have plenty of young talent coming up through the ranks, it was a year of promise.

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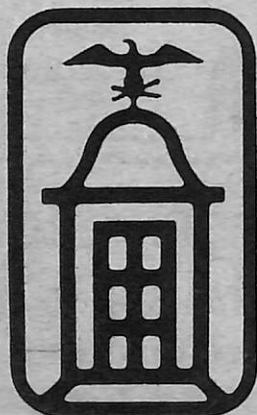
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